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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

U.S. PATENT(S) :

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>
1,504,945	Dempsey et al.	Aug 12, 1924
3,485,073	Burney	Dec 23, 1969
4,706,356	Bianchi et al.	Nov 17, 1987

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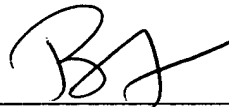
The references listed above were cited by the European Examiner in Applicant's counterpart European patent application 02020267.7 (MPEP §2001.06(a)).

A copy of the foreign reference is enclosed, together with a completed form PTO-1449.

Consideration of these references by the Examiner is respectfully requested. To date, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore believed to be timely filed.

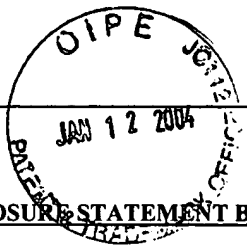
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